



## Regional Service Council Minutes Region 9

**Meeting Date:** 8.28.15  
**Meeting Location:** Avon Town Hall  
6570 E. US Hwy 36  
Avon, IN 46123

### **Council Members Present:**

**Char Burkett-Sims** – Region 9 Regional Manager  
**Pat Baldwin** – Hendricks County Prosecutor  
**Kalay Colley (proxy for Judge Siamas)** – Montgomery County Court  
**Becky McClure** - CASA, Boone County  
**Jaclyn Allemon** – Director, Boone County DCS  
**Joanie Crum** – Director, Montgomery County DCS  
**Rhonda Allen** – Director, Hendricks County DCS  
**Shelly Chadd** – Director, Putnam County DCS

### **Guests Present:**

**Angela Smith Grossman Holly McFadden** – Children's Bureau – Community Partners  
**Angi Johnson** – Children's Bureau  
**Julie Ensinger** – Columbus Behavioral Center  
**Debbie Branfield** – Crossroad  
**Karen Branch** – MCYSB  
**Laurie Lozimak** – Resource Residential Treatment  
**Thonja Nicholson** – Villages  
**Anna Cedars** – Family Interventions  
**Vanessa Enos** – Cummins  
**Kenneth Malapote** – Southwest Indiana Youth Village  
**Danelle King** – NYAP  
**Heather Henley** – HNS Consulting Services  
**Donyell Evans** - Choices  
**Stephanie Kerner** - HFASI  
**Donna Hankins** – Boone County Probation

<b>Meeting Minutes</b>
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**Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM**

**Meeting minutes from 2.27.2015.**

All voted in favor of accepting the Regional Services Council minutes.

### **Financial Report:**

As of August 26, 2014 - 2016 Fiscal Year, the region has spent \$1,627,763. Handout provided. Went over county numbers. We do not yet have the 2016 budget.

**Community Partners:**

Handout provided. There has been 645 referrals. Most come in as self-referrals and DCS referrals second. Jenna Harden is a new liaison. The referrals are high and may need to hire new liaison or a "floater". In October there will a Protective Factors training. For the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter outcome, they met 11 out of 12. There have been 2 requests for prevention funding, Smart Steps Program in Boone County and Family Support Services in Putnam County. Went over material relief fund, success stories, and outreach efforts. If there is any interest in any outreach efforts in your community, let Holly know.

**Boone County JDAI Program/Day Treatment:**

Delaware County set up this program. Will need a Master level therapist. The program is after school until 8:00 PM and they provide dinner. The program is for all probation kids. They are supervised and there will be a work station / computer set up for kids to do schoolwork. The program has been successful. . The juveniles are getting more services and less time out of the home. Once approved, it could be up and running in about 3 months. The cost is \$120 per day and kids eligible for Medicaid as services. There is already a contract and do not need a vote from council.

**National Child Welfare Workforce:**

Our region was chosen for the Organizational Health Assessment. The turnover is high and hard to keep staff, will be looking at recruitment and retention. This will be the main focus. There will an established workgroup. Staff will participate in focus groups, surveys, and there will be presentation. Will begin to have more to correct what was identified. There will an external facilitator to work with ways to improve morale, eliminate loss of staff. Will be looking at workforce analysis. A design team will be created. The results will be presented on October 8 at the Danville Government Center. What are factors that make a person stay or go and ways to implement.

**Biennial Plan:**

The process of planning is coming up. Surveys and feedback will be provided. The first phase has been conducted with FCMs in the field doing surveys.

From the data, a plan will be created. In the last 2 plans one issue has been insufficient amount of substance abuse treatment. Substance abuse issues may come up to be addressed again.

Once the RSC looks at the plan, each county office will look at, as well as CPT. Everyone will be aware of the plan to implement. Will have data at the next meeting in October.

On September 17 will be getting started for Biennial Plan.

**Services:**

If we need to open up a new RFP for any additional services. Hong is working on a list of new services providers.. Let the LOD or Hong know. The timeline to get to Hong will be around October.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM

**Next Meeting Date: Friday, October 23, 2015**

**Time: 9:00 AM**

**Meeting Location: Avon Town Hall**